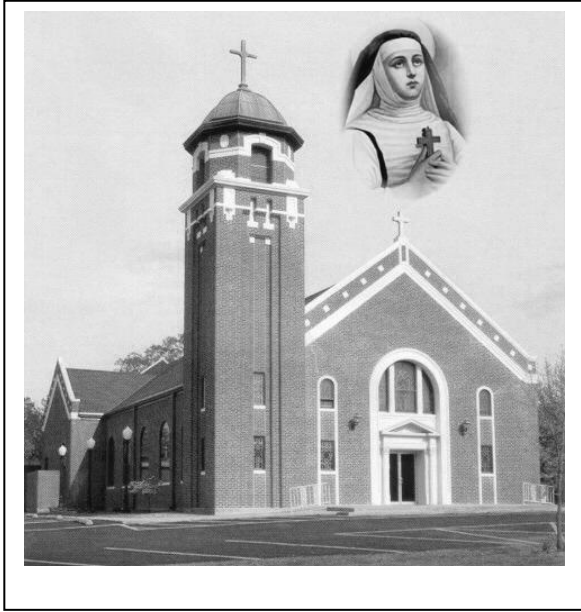


# St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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Our Parish Web Site: [www.stteresaharrah.org](http://www.stteresaharrah.org)

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*Archdiocese of Oklahoma City*

*Archbishop of Oklahoma City  
Most Reverend Paul S. Coakley*

**Father Prakash Madineni – Pastor**  
[mgprakash65@gmail.com](mailto:mgprakash65@gmail.com)

Kathleen Bauman, Secretary

Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

## **Mass Times**

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00 pm  
**Sunday:** 7:30 am  
9:00 am

## **Weekdays:**

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	McLoud	8:30 am
Wednesday	Harrah	6:15 pm
Thursday	McLoud	8:30 am
Friday	Harrah	8:00 am

**Adoration:** First Fridays 8:am–6:pm Mass 6:15 pm

**Holy Days:** As announced in the bulletin

**Confessions:** Saturday – 3:00-3:45 pm  
Sunday – 7:00-7:20 am

**Baptism:** Contact Parish Office for Appointment.

**Marriage:** See pastor six months prior to wedding.

(Please contact the parish office for questions.)

## **Parish phone listing**

**Office:** (405) 454-2819  
**Office Fax:** (405) 309-6416  
**St. Teresa Parish Hall:** (405) 454-6076  
**St. Teresa Cemetery:** (405) 620-1981  
**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** (405) 343-2938  
**Religious Education Center:** (405) 454-9440

## **Organizations & Meeting times:**

**Altar Society** ~ the first Sunday of the month, 1:00 pm (Sep-May)

**Catholic Daughters** ~ the first Sunday of the month 7:00pm

**Knights of Columbus** ~ the first Sunday of the month 7:00pm

**Parish Council** – Meetings as announced

**St. Vincent de Paul** ~ Mondays (bi-weekly), 6:00 pm

**Religious Education Classes** ~Wednesdays, 7:00 pm

**Prayer Group** ~ Tuesdays in the church at 6:00 pm

**RCIA Classes** ~ Tuesdays, 7 pm in the Family Center

**Youth Group (Grades 6-8)** Wednesday, after RE until 8:45 pm

**High School Youth Group** (Grades 9-12) Sundays, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

**Jr Catholic Daughters** ~ First Sunday of month, 7:00 pm

**Inquiry Sessions** ~ The 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month, 7:00 pm.

**SVDP Food Bank** open Mondays 4:30 to 5:30 pm.

## May 14, 2017 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 13 4:00 pm</b>	<b>Confirmation</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 14 7:30 am</b>	<b>+ Irene Emmack (by her daughters)</b>
	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>+ Jim Jorski (by Barbara Dull)</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 15</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 17 6:15 pm</b>	<b>+ Frank Saxton (by Steve &amp; Cindy Gorczyca)</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 19 8:00 am</b>	<b>Marshall Family</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 20 4:00 pm</b>	<b>+ Tommy Jorski (by John &amp; Pat Bacon)</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 21 7:30 am</b>	<b>+ Frank Saxton (by John &amp; Pat Bacon)</b>
	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>+ Jim Jorski (by St Teresa Choir)</b>

### Readings for : May 15 to May 21:

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18 or 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 14:15-21 or Jn 17:1-11a

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<b>Collection – May 7:</b>	114	Adult Env: \$6437.52	9	Children Env: \$23.00	Total: \$6524.52
<b>Other Collections</b>		Catholic Home Missions: \$50.00		Birthchoice: \$14.00	
<b>Building Fund:</b>		Total Assets: \$4945.00			

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### Birthchoice special collection is on Sunday, May 15 (Mothers Day)

Mission: Birth Choice exists to encourage any pregnant woman to choose the gift of life for herself and her unborn baby by providing the means to do so.

Philosophy: Birth Choice exists to provide any pregnant woman, concerned friend or family member compassionate dialog, one to one help, and nurturing support. Volunteers and staff members provide each woman whatever practical assistance is necessary to help her realize her worth and that of her unborn child. With help from Birth Choice she can choose the gift of life, simultaneously finding enrichment and spiritual healing. Support is given in a loving, personal, non-judgmental and strictly confidential way to meet the specific needs of each individual.

### Special Envelopes for Mother's Day

Special envelopes are at the back of the church for Mother's Day. They will remain on the altar throughout The month of May and remembered at all the Masses this month.

### Vacation Bible School: Tracking Mary- Mysteries & Messages

VBS will be held the week of June 5-9, 2017 from 6:00-8:30 pm. Ages Pre-K thru 5th grade.

Adult and teen volunteers needed. Excellent way for teenagers to earn service hours.

Pre-registration begins now. Find forms in the entrance of church or contact Sandra Sumaza at 501-605-3420.

### Memorial Day Mass

Memorial Day Mass honoring veterans, and in particular, those veterans buried in our church cemetery, is Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am. The Mass will be held in the church, followed by taps at the cemetery (weather permitting). The flag will be at half mast during the day & raised to full staff at conclusion of ceremony while the National Anthem is played.

### Mass for Graduates

All graduating seniors (High School and College) will be recognized at the 9 am Mass on Sunday, May 21, 2017. The Catholic Daughters, Court Christ the King will host a breakfast afterward in the fellowship hall for the graduates and their immediate families. Request graduates be at church by 8:40 am, wearing graduation gown (no caps in church). Please contact Nancy Limon (405) 410-8009 if you have any questions.

### **From the Pastor's Desk**

- The Lord Jesus has “called us out of darkness into his wonderful light.” We hear him do that very concretely in the Gospel today. He reassures us with these words: “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Have faith in God and faith in me. Where I am you will be. I am the way, the truth, and the life. Whoever believes in me will do the works I do.” This is the Word of God that “continued to spread” so that the number of disciples “increased greatly.” And this increase is what the Risen Christ continues to offer the Church through the ministry of priests and deacons. “Come to him let yourselves be built into a spiritual house.”
- Evil distorts and deceives. Through his Incarnation, Death, and Resurrection, Christ restores the truth in which God created the human race. In his truth is our freedom.

### **Parish Council Opening**

There will be a three year term opening for St Teresa's parish council. All nominations shall be made in writing to the Pastor or Parish Council. Nominations may be made by the candidate himself/herself or by another parishioner who has obtained the written consent of the prospective candidate. All registered members of the parish, male or female, eighteen years of age or older, who are in communion of faith and life with the Roman Catholic Church shall be eligible for membership on the parish council. Dead line for nominations is May 31, 2017. List of persons running will be put in the bulletin or announced at Mass June 3 4, & 10 11, 2017. The election will be June 17 18, 2017, if a runoff is needed it will be June 24 25, 2017. Newly elected member of the council shall take office as of the first day of the month following their election.

### **Trinity Dome Collection**

Next week our parish will participate in a national collection for the Trinity Dome to complete the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, before its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Also known as America's Catholic Church, the National Shrine has been a century in the making, built by and for the faithful of our great nation in honor of our Blessed Mother, the patroness of the United States. Become a part of Mary's Shrine and help to bring to completion our church! For more information, please visit: [www.trinitydome.org](http://www.trinitydome.org).

### **Parish Directory**

Plans are being made for the new Parish Directory for St Teresa of Avila. Lifetouch will start taking family portraits the middle of October. During the coming months we are asking all parishioners to please update your information including any name changes, children in the home, address, home phone or cell (whichever you want published) as well as email addresses. You can use the census cards in the back of the church to make any changes and drop them in the collection baskets. If you are a member of St Teresa of Avila but have not yet registered please do so as soon as possible and drop those in the collection basket as well. It is very important that we have correct information to be able to contact everyone when the scheduling starts. We do not want to leave anyone out! If you have any questions please call Maria Baltazor at 208-1991 or call the parish office.

### **Evangelization Outreach Ministry organizational meeting, Sunday, June 11, at 2:00 pm**

Representation from all committees, ministries, Educational programs to include all age groups, Youth Group, and organizations are requested to attend this meeting. The purpose of this meeting will be to introduce information and layout a strategic plan in order to enhance our outreach program and to organize an outreach ministry team for short and long term evangelization efforts at St. Teresa's Parish. If you should have any questions as to who should be attending, please contact the parish office or Philip Stramski at 405-625-7761 or email [pstramski10@cox.net](mailto:pstramski10@cox.net).

### **Adult Education Classes**

Adult education meets on Mondays at 7pm in the RE building. We have started a short DVD series from Bishop Barron on the Eucharist. Highly recommended for all people, no matter what level their understanding of the Eucharist might be. What could possibly be more important?

### **Archdiocesan Campaign Planning Study E-Survey**

This is an exciting time in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. After a great deal of prayer and consultation, Archbishop Coakley has begun planning for the first major fundraising campaign in the history of the Archdiocese. As part of the planning process, a campaign planning study is underway and we want your input and opinions. Please take a few minutes to go online and complete a 5-minute e-Survey giving your feedback on plans for the future. The survey can be found at [www.archokc.org/survey](http://www.archokc.org/survey). Thank you!

### **OLOG Registration Fee Assistance**

St. Teresa parish will again offer Camp OLOG registration fee assistance of \$100 per camper. If you would like to receive this financial assistance, please register your child(ren) and submit the deposit by June 1, 2017. This will ensure a space in the chosen camp session and also to show your commitment to attend. One check will be sent to the Archdiocese to be applied toward the registration fees. Registration forms and camp information is available at [www.archokc.org](http://www.archokc.org)<<http://www.archokc.org>>. If you have questions, please contact Kelly Trice at 405-570-2003.

### **Beatification of Servant of God Fr. Stanley Rother**

Saturday, September 23, 2017, 10:00 am, Cox Convention Center, OKC

Admission is free – Tickets not required.

### **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat**

Have you had an abortion or been effected by another's abortion? There is help for you. Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ at a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat May 26-28, 2017. The retreat offers a profound opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Participation is strictly confidential. The retreat is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life. There is no cost for this retreat. Pre-registration is required. For more information call 405-623-3844 or email [rachelsvineyardokc@gmail.com](mailto:rachelsvineyardokc@gmail.com)

### **Ministry Schedule for May**

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<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>	<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>
4:00 Carol Rudek, Steve Nettleingham, Linda Nettleingham	4:00 Karen Manwell, Kelly Trice, Tracy Hartley
7:30 Cindy Newby, Stan DeLong, Rachel Espolt	7:30 Steve Gorczyca, Cindy Newby, Kent Spaeth
9:00 Vicki Waldrip, Jackie Stafford, Debra Birdsong, Barbara Carpenter, Don Carpenter	9:00 Anita Craiger, Nancy Limon, Mark Seikel, Neil Baltazor, Maria Baltazor
<b>Lectors:</b>	<b>Lectors:</b>
4:00 Scott Dull	4:00 Tracy Hartley
7:30 Patty Lay	7:30 Kelly Trice
9:00 Phillip Stramski, Amelia Stramski	9:00 Dave McCorkle, Mark Seikel
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
4:00 Russell Dull, Doug Kretchmar, Terrence Visnieski, Charlie Werchan	4:00 Sam Wyskup, John Bacon, Joe Chicoine, Mark Hargrove
7:30 Mark Klimkowski, Steve Espolt, Daniel Lay, James "Kent" Spaith	7:30 Bernadette Klimkowski, Stan Delong, Steve Gorczyca, Tony Nickel
9:00 Dan Block, John Marshall, Jeff Wagner	9:00 George Visnieski, Joe Wierzbic, Steve Stramski, Stan Malaske
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
4:00 Jason Kaminski, Casey Jones	4:00 Kambel Medich
7:30 Connor Lay, Alex Harke, Izzy Harke	7:30 Mia Pendleton, Charlie Pendleton
9:00 Alex Boyd, Michael Boyle, James Boyle	9:00 Thomas Staton, Nicole Herzog, Katie Baltazor

## **Please pray for our men and women serving in the Military!**

### **St. Teresa's Prayer Chain**

*Our Parish has a prayer chain for our parish family concerns. You may call for prayer requests to either Kristi Kretchmar at 391-2728 or Debra Birdsong at 650-4662. The prayer list is updated every three months. Please contact us if a name should be relisted.*

#### **Please pray for the Intentions Of...**

Michelle Anderson, Samantha Anderson, Bay Lea Atkins, Sally & Joe Balkenbush, Jan Barnes, Tom Barnes, James Beam, Vickey Boorshes, Benjamin Boyd, Zella Bradley, Anita Brimm, Jenny Bruns, Sally Bugg, Tiffany Cleveland, Jan Coleman, Jody Cook, Barbara Davenport, J.C. Delamore, Al Dilis, Loretta Dixon, John & Virginia Drew, Mary Flisnik, Mary Ellen Fortleney, Carlos Frey, Simone Galvin, Patrick Grannon, Marilyn Gravitt, Kaelyn Hairell, Edna Hanmer, Larry & Ann Henthorne, Norma Holloway, Martha Hopcus, Martin House, Alana Jansen, Ronny Jaro, Ann Jones, Leonard, Eddie Jones, Betsy & Jerry Jorski, Raymond Jorski, Maurice Lachance, Don Lachance,, Dial Libel, Rev. Eugene Marshall O.S.B., Leta Overton, Rosalie Marino, Bruce Moates, Linda Morrel, David & Ann Meed, Ioma Meyers, Bruce Moates, Greg Montalvo, Madonna Montalvo, Justin Moore, Paul & Charlotte Nickel, Sue Nickel, James Northcutt, Charlotte Nowakowski, Darrell O'Neal, Romeo Opichka, Trisha Parker, Fr. Lucas Pinapati, Linda Raly, Odest Raly, Fred Rodriguez, Mary Rodriguez, Lee Roller, Don Ross, Carol Rudek, Carolyn Rudek, Mike Scalzo, Terrah Showers, Alom Self, Juanita Shaffer, Jo Sims, Tom & Aline Smith, Brenda Smith, Kaelyn Spradlin, Logan Stephens, Danny Sweeney, Angie Terrell-Wagner, Greg Thompson, Madison Tytanic, Henry Villarma, Kevin Voyles, Olivia Voyles, Tammy Wallinger, Irene Watkins, Carolyn Werchan, Chelsey Werchan, Scotlyn Kay Whiteman, Olivia Whitfield, Vickie Wilson, Bob Wood, Barbara Wyskup, Dorothy Wyskup, Louise Wyskup, Filex & Ann Zachare